

Legislative Update

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Senate passes bipartisan infrastructure bill — but what comes next won't be easy

Democrats must keep their own party in line as they attempt to move the infrastructure bill forward in the House.

By **TANYA SNYDER**

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POLITICO



House passes \$3.5 trillion budget plan, aims to vote on infrastructure package by late September

By [Tony Romm](#)

August 24, 2021 at 6:23 p.m. EDT

The Washington Post



Dems dig in on debt as painful September looms

The majority party still plans to burn its most expedient ticket out of the fiscal mess.

By **BURGESS EVERETT** and **JENNIFER SCHOLTES**

08/30/2021 04:30 AM EDT

POLITICO

“In addition to raising the debt ceiling, Democrats must fund the government past Sept. 30, devise a likely multitrillion-dollar spending bill and put Biden’s infrastructure bill over the top in the House. Democrats will also make one last-gasp effort at passing voting rights legislation.”

Budget reconciliation overview



Allows for quick legislating

- Created via the Congressional Budget Act of 1974
- Provides an expedited process for passing congressional measures related to the budget



Cannot be filibustered

- Debate in Senate is limited to 20 hours
- Allows passage of certain legislation by simple majority



Provisions must abide by the “Byrd rule”

- Must have a non-incidental effect on the budget
- Must not change overall spending/revenue
- Must not add to the deficit outside the budget window covered by the bill

Budget reconciliation process

Both House and Senate pass a budget resolution which includes reconciliation instructions
(No filibuster - simple majority vote in both chambers)



Instructed committees develop and vote on policy recommendations related to the instructions
(simple majority vote)



Budget committees bundle proposals into budget measure and vote
(simple majority vote)



Full House votes
(rules for debate and final passage are by simple majority vote)

Senate debate limited to 20 hours (no filibuster) but unlimited amendments can be offered (vote-a-rama)



President signs budget reconciliation measure

FY22 Appropriations - Pending

	FY22 PB	House	Senate
NIH	\$52 B (+\$9 B)	\$49 B (+\$6.5 B)	TBD
ARPA-H	\$6.5 B	\$3 B	TBD
NCI	\$6.73 B (+\$174 M)	\$6.99 B (+\$434 M)	TBD






Legislation to Watch

S.1260 - **U.S. Innovation and Competition Act**
(passed Senate)

S.1512 - **CONNECT Act** (Creating Opportunities
Now for Necessary and Effective Care
Technologies for Health)

H.R. XX - **Cures 2.0**
(draft released June 2021)

2021 CONGRESSIONAL CALENDAR

 Both chambers are in session
  Senate only is in session
  House only is in session
  House committee work only
  House committee work only / Senate in session

September

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
			1	2	3	4
5	6 Labor Day/ Rosh Hashana (begins)	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15 Yom Kippur (begins)	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

October

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11 Columbus Day	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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September 30th – end of FY21

Questions?

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